CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT

SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (Proposition 65)

Chemicals Under Consideration For Possible Listing
Via Administrative Mechanisms:
Request For Relevant Information
EXTENSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
November 21, 2003

The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65) requires the Governor to publish, and update at least annually, a list of chemicals known to the State to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity. The Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) is the lead agency for the implementation of Proposition 65.

On September 26, 2003, OEHHA published a notice in the *California Regulatory Notice Register* (Register 2003, No. 39-Z) soliciting information which may be relevant to the evaluation of certain chemicals under consideration for possible administrative listing within the context of the Proposition 65 administrative listing regulatory criteria in Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations (22 CCR) Section 12306.

A public forum was held on October 29, 2003 in Sacramento, California to provide an opportunity for interested parties to present oral comments and to discuss the scientific data and other information relevant to a determination whether these chemicals meet the criteria for listing set forth in 22 CCR Section 12306. The public comment period closes on November 25, 2003 for all chemicals (3,3'-dimethoxybenzidine-based dyes metabolized to 3,3'-dimethylbenzidine, ethylbenzidine, 3,3'-dimethylbenzidine-based dyes metabolized to 3,3'-dimethylbenzidine, ethylbenzene, propylene glycol mono-t-butyl ether, and thiouracil) included in the September 26 notice, except vanadium pentoxide, CAS No. 1314-62-1. OEHHA has received a request to extend the comment period for vanadium pentoxide to allow for the submittal of complete and relevant scientific information. OEHHA hereby extends the public comment period for vanadium pentoxide to 5 p.m., Monday, January 26, 2004.

Written comments on *vanadium pentoxide*, along with supporting information, may be submitted in **triplicate** to:

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In order to be considered, comments must be postmarked (if sent by mail) or received at OEHHA (if hand-delivered or sent by fax) by 5 p.m., Monday, January 26, 2004.